

**BEFORE THE  
BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

**VERONICA CHRISTIANA CLEARY**  
4721 La Villa Marina , Unit A  
Marina Del Rey, CA 90292-7015

**Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist**  
**License No. LMFT 97745**

Respondent.

Case No. 2002020002669

OAH No. 2022010254

**DECISION AND ORDER**

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Behavioral Sciences, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective on October 13, 2022.

It is so ORDERED September 13, 2022.



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DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

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**STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND**  
**DISCIPLINARY ORDER**

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20 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-  
21 entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

22 **PARTIES**

23 1. Steve Sodergren (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Board of Behavioral  
24 Sciences (Board). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this  
25 matter by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by M. Travis Peery, Deputy  
26 Attorney General.

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2. Respondent Veronica Christiana Cleary (Respondent) is represented in this proceeding by attorney David K. Leatherberry, whose address is: 11440 West Bernardo Court, Suite 300, San Diego, CA 92127.

3. On or about January 6, 2017, the Board issued Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist License No. LMFT 97745 to Respondent. The Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 2002020002669, and will expire on March 31, 2024, unless renewed.

## JURISDICTION

4. Accusation No. 2002020002669 was filed before the Board, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on September 28, 2021. Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation.

5. A copy of Accusation No. 2002020002669 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

## **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

6. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 2002020002669. Respondent has also carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.

7. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her; the right to present evidence and to testify on her own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

8. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

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1 negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary  
2 Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a  
3 writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

4 15. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that  
5 the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following  
6 Disciplinary Order:

7 **DISCIPLINARY ORDER**

8 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist License No.  
9 LMFT 97745 issued to Respondent Veronica Christiana Cleary is revoked. The revocation is  
10 stayed and Respondent is placed on four (4) years' probation with the following terms and  
11 conditions. Probation shall continue on the same terms and conditions if Respondent is granted  
12 another registration or license regulated by the Board.

13 **1. Psychotherapy**

14 Respondent shall participate in ongoing psychotherapy with a California licensed mental  
15 health professional who has been approved by the Board. Within 15 days of the effective date of  
16 this Decision, respondent shall submit to the Board or its designee for its prior approval the name  
17 and qualifications of one or more therapists of respondent's choice. Such therapist shall possess a  
18 valid California license to practice and shall have had no prior business, professional, or personal  
19 relationship with respondent, and shall not be respondent's supervisor. Counseling shall be at least  
20 once a week unless otherwise determined by the Board. Respondent shall continue in such  
21 therapy at the Board's discretion. Cost of such therapy is to be borne by respondent.

22 Respondent may, after receiving the Board's written permission, receive therapy via  
23 videoconferencing if respondent's good faith attempts to secure face-to-face counseling are  
24 unsuccessful due to the unavailability of qualified mental health care professionals in the area.  
25 The Board may require that respondent provide written documentation of her good faith attempts  
26 to secure counseling via videoconferencing.

27 Respondent shall provide the therapist with a copy of the Board's Decision no later than the  
28 first counseling session. Upon approval by the Board, respondent shall undergo and continue

1 treatment until the Board or its designee determines that no further psychotherapy is necessary.

2 Respondent shall take all necessary steps to ensure that the treating psychotherapist submits  
3 quarterly written reports to the Board concerning respondent's fitness to practice, progress in  
4 treatment, and to provide such other information as may be required by the Board. Respondent  
5 shall execute a Release of Information authorizing the therapist to divulge information to the  
6 Board.

7 If the treating psychotherapist finds that respondent cannot practice safely or independently,  
8 the psychotherapist shall notify the Board within three (3) working days. Upon notification by  
9 the Board, respondent shall immediately cease practice and shall not resume practice until  
10 notified by the Board or its designee that respondent may do so. Respondent shall not thereafter  
11 engage in any practice for which a license issued by the Board is required until the Board or its  
12 designee has notified respondent that she may resume practice. Respondent shall document  
13 compliance with this condition in the manner required by the Board.

## 14 2. Supervised Practice

15 Within 30 days of the effective date of this decision, respondent shall submit to the Board  
16 or its designee, for its prior approval, the name and qualification of one or more proposed  
17 supervisors and a plan by each supervisor. The supervisor shall be a current California licensed  
18 practitioner in respondent's field of practice, who shall submit written reports to the Board or its  
19 designee on a quarterly basis verifying that supervision has taken place as required and including  
20 an evaluation of respondent's performance. The supervisor shall be independent, with no prior  
21 business, professional or personal relationship with respondent.

22 If respondent is unable to secure a supervisor in her field of practice due to the  
23 unavailability of mental health care professionals in the area, then the Board may consider the  
24 following options for satisfying this probationary term:

25 (1) Permitting respondent to receive supervision via videoconferencing; or,

26 (2) Permitting respondent to secure a supervisor not in respondent's field of practice.

27 The forgoing options shall be considered and exhausted by the Board in the order listed  
28 above. The Board may require that respondent provide written documentation of her good faith

1 attempts to secure face-to-face supervision, supervision via videoconferencing or to locate a  
2 mental health professional that is licensed in respondent's field of practice.

3 Respondent shall complete any required consent forms and sign an agreement with the  
4 supervisor and the Board regarding respondent and the supervisor's requirements and reporting  
5 responsibilities. Failure to file the required reports in a timely fashion shall be a violation of  
6 probation. Respondent shall give the supervisor access to respondent's fiscal and client records.  
7 Supervision obtained from a probation supervisor shall not be used as experience gained toward  
8 licensure.

9 If the supervisor is no longer available, respondent shall notify the Board within 15 days  
10 and shall not practice until a new supervisor has been approved by the Board. All costs of the  
11 supervision shall be borne by respondent. Supervision shall consist of at least one (1) hour per  
12 week in individual face to face meetings. The supervisor shall not be respondent's therapist.

### 13 3. Law and Ethics Course

14 Respondent shall take and successfully complete the equivalency of two semester units in  
15 law and ethics. Course work shall be taken at the graduate level at an accredited or approved  
16 educational institution that offers a qualifying degree for licensure as a marriage and family  
17 therapist, clinical social worker, educational psychologist, professional clinical counselor as  
18 defined in Sections 4980.40, 4996.18, 4999.32 or 4999.33 of the Business and Professions Codes  
19 and Section 1854 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations or through a course approved  
20 by the Board. Classroom attendance must be specifically required. Within 90 days of the effective  
21 date of this Decision, respondent shall submit a plan for prior Board approval for meeting this  
22 educational requirement. Said course must be taken and completed within 18 months (or as  
23 approved by the Board) from the effective date of this Decision. The costs associated with the  
24 law and ethics course shall be paid by respondent. Units obtained for an approved course in law  
25 and ethics shall not be used for continuing education units required for renewal of licensure.

### 26 4. Obey All Laws

27 Respondent shall obey all federal, state and local laws, all statutes and regulations  
28 governing the licensee, and remain in full compliance with any court ordered criminal probation,

1 payments and other orders. A full and detailed account of any and all violations of law shall be  
2 reported by respondent to the Board or its designee in writing within seventy-two (72) hours of  
3 occurrence. To permit monitoring of compliance with this term, respondent shall submit  
4 fingerprints through the Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation within 30 days  
5 of the effective date of the Decision, unless previously submitted as part of the licensure  
6 application process. Respondent shall pay the cost associated with the fingerprint process.

7 **5. File Quarterly Reports**

8 Respondent shall submit quarterly reports, to the Board or its designee, as scheduled on the  
9 "Quarterly Report Form" (rev. 07/2016). Respondent shall state under penalty of perjury whether  
10 she has been in compliance with all the conditions of probation. Notwithstanding any provision  
11 for tolling of requirements of probation, during the cessation of practice respondent shall continue  
12 to submit quarterly reports under penalty of perjury.

13 **6. Comply with Probation Program**

14 Respondent shall comply with the probation program established by the Board and  
15 cooperate with representatives of the Board in its monitoring and investigation of respondent's  
16 compliance with the program.

17 **7. Interviews with the Board**

18 Respondent shall appear in person for interviews with the Board or its designee upon  
19 request at various intervals and with reasonable notice.

20 **8. Failure to Practice**

21 In the event respondent stops practicing in California, respondent shall notify the Board or  
22 its designee in writing within 30 calendar days prior to the dates of non-practice and return to  
23 practice. Non-practice is defined as any period of time exceeding thirty calendar days in which  
24 respondent is not engaging in any activities defined in Sections 4980.02, 4989.14, 4996.9, or  
25 4999.20 of the Business and Professions Code. Any period of non-practice, as defined in this  
26 condition, will not apply to the reduction of the probationary term and will relieve respondent of  
27 the responsibility to comply with the probationary terms and conditions with the exception of this  
28 condition and the following terms and conditions of probation: Obey All Laws; File Quarterly



1 Reports; Comply With Probation Program; Maintain Valid License; and Cost Recovery.

2 Respondent's license shall be subject to cancellation if respondent's period of non-practice total  
3 two years.

4 **9. Change of Place of Employment or Place of Residence**

5 Respondent shall notify the Board or its designee in writing within 30 days of any change  
6 of place of employment or place of residence. The written notice shall include the address, the  
7 telephone number and the date of the change.

8 **10. Supervision of Unlicensed Persons**

9 While on probation, respondent shall not act as a supervisor for any hours of supervised  
10 practice required for any license issued by the Board. Respondent shall terminate any such  
11 supervisorial relationship in existence on the effective date of this Decision.

12 **11. Notification to Clients**

13 Respondent shall notify all clients when any term or condition of probation will affect their  
14 therapy or the confidentiality of their records, including but not limited to supervised practice,  
15 suspension, or client population restriction. Such notification shall be signed by each client prior  
16 to continuing or commencing treatment. Respondent shall submit, upon request by the Board or  
17 its designee, satisfactory evidence of compliance with this term of probation.

18 **12. Notification to Employer**

19 Respondent shall provide each of her current or future employers, when performing  
20 services that fall within the scope of practice of her license, a copy of this Decision and the  
21 Statement of Issues or Accusation before commencing employment. Notification to respondent's  
22 current employer shall occur no later than the effective date of the Decision or immediately upon  
23 commencing employment. Respondent shall submit, upon request by the Board or its designee,  
24 satisfactory evidence of compliance with this term of probation.

25 Respondent shall provide to the Board the names, physical addresses, and telephone  
26 numbers of all employers, supervisors, and contractors.

27 Respondent shall complete the required consent forms and sign an agreement with the  
28 employer and supervisor, or contractor, and the Board to allow the Board to communicate with

1 the employer and supervisor or contractor regarding the licensee's work status, performance, and  
2 monitoring.

3 **13. Violation of Probation**

4 If respondent violates the conditions of her probation, the Board, after giving respondent  
5 notice and the opportunity to be heard, may set aside the stay order and impose the discipline  
6 (revocation) of respondent's license provided in the Decision.

7 If during the period of probation, an accusation, petition to revoke probation, or statement  
8 of issues has been filed against respondent's license or application for licensure, or the Attorney  
9 General's office has been requested to prepare such an accusation, petition to revoke probation, or  
10 statement of issues, the probation period set forth in this Decision shall be automatically extended  
11 and shall not expire until the accusation, petition to revoke probation, or statement of issues has  
12 been acted upon by the Board. Upon successful completion of probation, respondent's license  
13 shall be fully restored.

14 **14. Maintain Valid License**

15 Respondent shall, at all times while on probation, maintain a current and active license with  
16 the Board, including any period during which suspension or probation is tolled. Should  
17 respondent's license, by operation of law or otherwise, expire, upon renewal respondent's license  
18 shall be subject to any and all terms of this probation not previously satisfied.

19 **15. License Surrender**

20 Following the effective date of this Decision, if respondent ceases practicing due to  
21 retirement or health reasons, or is otherwise unable to satisfy the terms and conditions of  
22 probation, respondent may voluntarily request the surrender of her license to the Board. The  
23 Board reserves the right to evaluate respondent's request and to exercise its discretion whether to  
24 grant the request or to take any other action deemed appropriate and reasonable under the  
25 circumstances. Upon formal acceptance of the surrender, respondent shall within 30 calendar  
26 days deliver respondent's license and certificate and if applicable wall certificate to the Board or  
27 its designee and respondent shall no longer engage in any practice for which a license is required.  
28 Upon formal acceptance of the tendered license, respondent will no longer be subject to the terms

1 and conditions of probation.

2 Voluntary surrender of respondent's license shall be considered to be a disciplinary action  
3 and shall become a part of respondent's license history with the Board. Respondent may not  
4 petition the Board for reinstatement of the surrendered license. Should respondent at any time  
5 after voluntary surrender ever reapply to the Board for licensure respondent must meet all current  
6 requirements for licensure including, but not limited to, filing a current application, meeting all  
7 current educational and experience requirements, and taking and passing any and all examinations  
8 required of new applicants.

9 **16. Instruction of Coursework Qualifying for Continuing Education**

10 Respondent shall not be an instructor of any coursework for continuing education credit  
11 required by any license issued by the Board.

12 **17. Notification to Referral Services**

13 Respondent shall immediately send a copy of this Decision to all referral services registered  
14 with the Board in which respondent is a participant. While on probation, respondent shall send a  
15 copy of this Decision to all referral services registered with the Board that respondent seeks to  
16 join.

17 **18. Reimbursement of Probation Program**

18 Respondent shall reimburse the Board for the costs it incurs in monitoring the probation to  
19 ensure compliance for the duration of the probation period. Reimbursement costs shall be  
20 \$1,200.00 per year.

21 **19. Cost Recovery**

22 Respondent shall pay the Board \$5,079.00 as and for the reasonable costs of the  
23 investigation and prosecution of Case No. 2002020002669. Respondent shall make such  
24 payments in accordance with a payment plan outlined by the Board. Respondent shall make the  
25 check or money order payable to the Board of Behavioral Sciences and shall indicate on the  
26 check or money order that it is the cost recovery payment for Case No. 2002020002669. Any  
27 order for payment of cost recovery shall remain in effect whether or not probation is tolled.  
28 Probation shall not terminate until full payment has been made. Should any part of cost recovery


1 not be paid in accordance with the outlined payment schedule, respondent shall be considered to  
2 be in violation of probation. A period of non-practice by respondent shall not relieve respondent  
3 of his or her obligation to reimburse the board for its costs.

4 Cost recovery must be completed six months prior to the termination of probation. A  
5 payment plan authorized by the Board may be extended at the discretion of the Enforcement  
6 Manager based on good cause shown by the probationer.

7 **ACCEPTANCE**

8 I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and have fully  
9 discussed it with my attorney, David K. Leatherberry. I understand the stipulation and the effect  
10 it will have on my Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist License. I enter into this Stipulated  
11 Settlement and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be  
12 bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Behavioral Sciences.

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14 DATED: 6/24/2



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16 *Respondent*

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19 I approve its form and content.

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21 DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

22 DAVID K. LEATHERBERRY  
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**ENDORSEMENT**

The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Board of Behavioral Sciences.

DATED: 6-27-22

Respectfully submitted,

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**Exhibit A**

**Accusation No. 2002020002669**

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**FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

7. From in or around April of 2018 through September of 2019, Respondent provided therapy services to Patient 1 at The Camden Center in Los Angeles. While in therapy with Respondent, Patient 1 had regular informal text communications with Respondent outside of session and gave multiple gifts to both Respondent and Respondent's daughter, which Respondent accepted. Patient 1 completed treatment at The Camden Center in the fall of 2019.

8. In or around November of 2019, Respondent accepted Patient 1's offer of a weekend stay with spa treatments at the Hotel Bel-Air. In or around December of 2019, Respondent's employment was terminated by The Camden Center for accepting a gift of an expensive purse from Patient 1 and failing to report that gift as required by her employer.

9. In a complaint filed with the Board, Patient 1 indicated that after completing therapy with Respondent, their frequent informal contact by text message continued and rapidly progressed to daily informal, personal communication by text and telephone in which Respondent expressed her financial needs, which included supporting her young daughter. Financial statements provided by Patient 1 document \$128,783.39 given to Respondent by Patient 1 between December 2019 and April 2020. This financial assistance included regular cash installments and use of Patient 1's credit card at Respondent's discretion.

10. On or about April 29, 2020, Patient 1 cancelled the credit card Respondent was using and ceased contact with her after concluding that Respondent "exploited her knowledge of my specific psychological vulnerabilities to serve her own financial interests." In response to these actions, Respondent sent e-mails to Patient 1 on April 30, 2020 and May 1, 2020 in which she made statements about: the nature of their relationship not being conventional; her own emotional concerns surrounding the end of their relationship, with references to Patient 1's personal history; professional concerns about the security of her license; and her financial concerns resulting from Patient 1's cessation of financial support.

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1 **FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

2 **(Gross Negligence)**

3 11. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4982, subdivision (d),  
4 on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that, with respect to her care of Patient 1,  
5 Respondent committed acts of gross negligence as follows:

6 a. Respondent engaged in an avoidable dual relationship with Patient 1 simultaneously  
7 with the therapeutic relationship and within a short period of time following the termination of the  
8 therapeutic relationship, resulting in impaired judgment on the part of Respondent and  
9 exploitation of Patient 1.

10 b. Respondent financially exploited Patient 1 by accepting material and monetary gifts  
11 shortly after therapy ended and within the context of an unethical dual relationship, and then,  
12 when Patient 1 cancelled the credit Respondent had been using, focusing on attaining her own  
13 needs by making statements to Patient 1 regarding her own emotional and financial worries.

14 c. Respondent emotionally exploited Patient 1 in that, following Patient 1 cancelling the  
15 credit card she was using, Respondent made multiple statements to Patient 1 regarding her  
16 emotional, financial, and professional needs and worries; made exploitative statements about  
17 Patient 1's personal psychological vulnerabilities; made emotionally exploitative statement to  
18 Patient 1 suggesting she was victimized by him; and expressed concerns about the security of her  
19 license.

20 Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in  
21 paragraphs 7-10, as though set forth herein.

22 **SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

23 **(Intentionally or Recklessly Causing Physical or Emotional Harm to a Client)**

24 12. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4982, subdivision (i),  
25 on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent intentionally or recklessly caused  
26 emotional harm to Patient 1 by maintaining an unethical dual relationship with Patient 1 and  
27 exploiting Patient 1 both financially and emotionally, as described above in paragraph 11.  
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1 Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in  
2 paragraphs 7-10, as though set forth herein.

3 PRAYER

4 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,  
5 and that following the hearing, the Board of Behavioral Sciences issue a decision:

- 6 1. Revoking or suspending Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist License Number  
7 LMFT 97745, issued to Veronica Christiana Cleary;
- 8 2. Ordering Veronica Christiana Cleary to pay the Board of Behavioral Sciences the  
9 reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and  
10 Professions Code section 125.3; and,
- 11 3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.
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15 DATED: September 23, 2021

*Steve Sodergren*  
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